

<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold;">10/551739</div> U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2004/004814	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 1 April 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 2 April 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION    OIL-IMPREGNATED SINTERED BEARING AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US    Tsuneo Maruyama et al.		

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☒ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto.
  - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))
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  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).

**Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:**

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☒ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.
18. ☒ A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. ☒ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. ☒ Other items or information: Certificate of Express Mailing Under 37 CFR 1.10; Check in the amount of \$300.00; Return Receipt Postcard

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Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated-Elected Office (2 pp)

Application Data Sheet (3 pp)

2 copies of English language translation of the International application

(40 pp); Claims (5 pp); Abstract (2 pp)

Drawings (Figs. 1-4; 5A-5C; 6A-6C; 7-11; 12A-12C; 8 sheets)

Second copy of published International Application (21 pp)

First Preliminary Amendment (13 pp) w/replacement drawings -

Figs. 34, 10 (2 sheets)

Affirmation of priority claim (1 pg) w/PCT/IB/304

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**AFFIRMATION OF PRIORITY CLAIM**

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby claim priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 based on the following prior foreign applications filed in the following foreign country on the dates indicated:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Date</u>
Japan	2003-099059	April 2, 2003
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Japan	2003-099061	April 2, 2003

Certified copies of the aforesaid Japanese Patent Applications were received by the International Bureau on April 22, 2004 during the pendency of International Application No. PCT/JP2004/004814. A copy of Form PCT/IB/304 is enclosed.

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